

## FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 22, 1890.

Mr. James Fisher, secretary of the State democratic committee of Virginia, was here yesterday. He says the intelligence from all the congressional districts in his State is of the most favorable character. In the Richmond district, he says, the democrats are receiving daily reinforcements from the white republicans in that district, and that Mr. Wise will probably be re-elected by three or four thousand majority. Dr. H. B. Edmondson of the 9th district, who passed through here last Saturday, says Mr. Bowen is the only republican in that district who had the slightest chance of election, and that Buchanan, the democratic nominee, will beat Mills, the republican candidate, by a large majority.

Congressman Canth of Kentucky and Gen. Lee went to Orange, Va., to-day, to address the democrats of that county.

The Champion of the House, in his prayer this morning, looking at the democratic side of the chamber, prayed for the welfare of the absent members. There were certainly a good many of them, as Mr. O'Ferrall of Virginia was the only one present. It was reported before the House met that Mr. Browne of Virginia had gone away, but when he was wanted to help to make a quorum to start Mr. Venable of his own State and seat a negro who was not elected in his place, he appeared with the other two republican members from Virginia—Messrs. Bowden and Waddill—who, unlike him, were not elected by democratic votes. Mr. O'Ferrall having called attention to the transparent fact that no quorum was present, and Mr. Speaker Reed being entirely unable to make 166 out of 153 Mr. Hagen, whose Scandinavian accent is still patent, demanded a call of the House, and that failing to develop a quorum the House adjourned. As a report was in circulation at the House that the Speaker was to issue warrants for the arrest of the absentees and force a quorum, the Capitol was soon as bare of democrats as the marshes now are of sora. Langston is perfectly disgusted. His republican friends will not stand by him; they talk to him all right, but they desert him at the critical moment. The large crowd of negroes who had assembled in the gallery to see him sworn in were also highly affronted, and talked viciously among themselves, and looked so to other people. If the democrats can keep Langston out until the conference report on the tariff bill shall be presented, he will be out, at least for the session, and probably for ever. Mr. Moore of New Hampshire, before the House adjourned, offered a resolution, which went to the committee on rules, fixing members who absent themselves to break a quorum \$500.

The republican members of the tariff conference committee told the democratic members to-day they could get along in the matter of settling the differences between the House and Senate bills without them. It is understood they will prepare the report on that bill and then call the democrats in and let them prepare a minority report if the latter think it worth while to do so. It is also said the republicans will present their report on the bill to-morrow or next day, and that it will be substantially the bill as it passed the Senate.

A large number of the leading merchants of Chicago have withdrawn their names from a protest against the passage of the bankrupt bill, and it is expected the Senate to-day to pass that bill.

Among the strangers at the pension bureau this morning was Mr. J. R. Miller, of Alexandria. He brought there a land teraphim he had found near the Theological Seminary, in Fairfax county, Va., under the shell of which bore the following inscription, cut with a knife: 1863, H. A. H., Co. A, 31 Pa. V. C. The records of the bureau being examined, it was found that a man named H. A. Harmer did belong to the company referred to, and that that company was encamped on Seminary Hill for awhile during the war.

The bill which passed the Senate last Saturday for a public building at Staunton, Virginia, appropriates \$75,000 for the purchase of the site and the erection and completion of the building with fire proof vaults for the accommodation of the postoffice and internal revenue office and for other government uses at Staunton.

The following is the only change that was made in the 4th class postoffice of Virginia to-day: New Glasgow D. P. at Amherst county, J. J. Peck, Jr. appointed postmaster, vice B. S. Landrum, resigned.

In a short talk with Senator Barbour this morning on the effectiveness of General Lee as a member of the House, the senator said he thought the General had done as much for his district as most any body else could have done. He had got through the House the bill for the relief of the Theological Seminary, bills for roads to national cemeteries at Alexandria and Culpeper, a bill for a roadside building at Leesburg, and larger appropriations for rivers and harbors than he, Barbour, had been able to do, though the House was more liberal in the latter respect now than it was when he was a member of that body.

## FOREIGN NEWS.

The French forces have subdued the rebellious natives of the Society Islands after killing over 100 of them.

The King of Portugal, who appeared to have almost recovered from his recent indisposition, has had a severe relapse, and the cabinet crisis continues.

The overflow of the Mari za river, in Bulgaria, was attended by great loss of life. Fully 100 peasants were drowned, and at Mustapha, a military post on the Bulgarian frontier, 100 Turkish soldiers perished in the flood.

It is said Austria has taken the initiative in proposing concerted European action against the McKinley tariff bill, and that France has been invited to join a league whose object will be to take commercial reprisals against America.

## The Republicans' Intentions.

It has leaked out that the republican congressional campaign committee has selected forty-five close democratic districts into which they propose to throw all their strength of boodle and patronage during the coming election. These forty-five districts are to be vigorously contested with funds supplied from headquarters, but other districts which have hitherto returned republicans are to be left to shift for themselves. A good deal of feeling is manifesting itself as to this arrangement, and this accounts for the indifference with which many of the republicans from New York and elsewhere treat the calls of Speaker Reed and his lieutenants in the matter of returning to make a quorum. They say if the party collectively is going to let them take care of themselves in the coming election they will have to let the dominant majority in the House take care of the party while they look after their individual fancies.

ON A VIRGINIA PILGRIMAGE.—A number of veterans of the Ninth New York Regiment and their friends left Saturday to begin their pilgrimage to the battle-fields of Virginia, where the regiment was engaged between 1861 and 1864. The following battle-fields will be visited: Harper's Ferry, Front Royal, Manassas, Cedar Mountain, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, The Wilderness, Laurel Hill, Spotsylvania, and Cold Harbor. At Fredericksburg the veterans will take part in the dedication of a monument to the memory of Colonel Joseph A. Moesch on Wednesday, at 5:30 P. M.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

General Roger A. Pryor will be appointed to a judgeship in New York.

The Rev. George F. Cain fell dead while preaching at Albion, N. Y., yesterday.

Six negroes and two whites were whipped at Newcastle, Del., on Saturday, for various offenses.

The President will return to Washington from Creson, Pa., either Wednesday or Thursday.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows decided to hold its next annual session in St. Louis.

A registered package of mail matter exploded in a mail car at Humboldt, Nevada, yesterday, scorching all the other letters in the box.

Five miners were killed by the explosion in the Murray shaft of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre coal mine, in Wilkesbarre, on Saturday.

Charles Clark Stevenson, governor of Nevada, died of typhoid fever yesterday. Lieutenant Governor H. C. Davis died little over a year ago.

An attempt was made at any early hour yesterday morning to blow up the saloon and grocery of Lido M. Vanney at Sanford, Ind., with dynamite.

John H. Handy, an ex-member of the Maryland Senate and a well-known lawyer, who was accused of squandering trust funds, has been disbarred by the Supreme Bench of the State.

The British ship Ventura put into San Francisco on Saturday in distress, having encountered a hurricane and had her decks washed by a wave one hundred feet high, which swept overboard two sailors.

A wedding at Boston Saturday night for which elaborate preparations had been made was tragically interrupted by the brutal murder of the prospective groom by a rival, who plunged the knife into his heart.

It was not Osman Pasha, the hero of Plevna, who was lost in the recent wreck of a Turkish mail-boat, but Osman Pasha, a son-in-law of the Turkish admiral. The former is alive and commanding the Sultan's body guard.

It is said the two men arrested for wrecking the train on the New York Central road have made confessions implicating Edward J. Lee and other leaders of the knights of labor as accessories after the fact. The men say that Lee gave them money to assist them to get away to Canada.

For four days, until picked up by a sailing vessel, the captain and crew of the brigantine Abbie Clifford, which was lost in the great hurricane, clung to a frail raft without a drop of water to drink and with only thirty rations a day each for food.

In Baltimore on Saturday night Timothy Corbett rushed into a butcher's shop and grasping two large knives, he plunged one into his body, and with the other hacked at his throat until he had severed the jugular vein. He then sank to the sidewalk dead. A cause for this act is not known. He was chatting pleasantly with his mother, when he suddenly picked up a knife and jabbed it into his throat.

The funerals of the young German actress, Emilie Rossi, and her artist lover, Gustave Koeh, each of whom committed suicide by mutual arrangement last Thursday, took place in New York yesterday. The wishes of the young people that they should be cremated were carried out, and there was no attempt at a ceremony before the bodies were removed to the crematory.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

The rush of cotton to Norfolk is on the increase.

The State assessment shows an increase of \$31,369,027.

The Virginia Beach Railroad is to be extended to the head of Currituck sound.

Thomas E. Sullivan, a prominent lawyer of Christiansburg, and one of the owners of the Montgomery and White Sulphur Springs, died suddenly Friday night. He left Richmond at 5 p. m., and on reaching home remarked that he was unwell, took a dose of bromide and retired. Shortly afterwards his daughter found him dead in bed.

The 38th year of Roanoke College opened Sept. 17th with a considerable increase in the number of students. Already young men are present from a dozen States, Indiana Territory, and Mexico and Japan will also be represented. The college has increased to such an extent that the trustees find it necessary to erect an additional building to accommodate the students.

Ex-Lieutenant Governor J. E. Massey in a recent interview said he thought there was the strongest probability of the reelection of Venable in the Fourth district and Jones in the First. In Venable's district the opposition to both Mahone and Langston is such as to give Venable, who is very popular, more than a fighting chance. In reference to ex-Gov. Cameron's letter he said: "I have not seen the letter. Cameron is a man of exceeding brightness, but lacks force and decision. Mahone has a leverage upon him which keeps him quiet. Were it not for this he could make some startling disclosures. Last fall he published a letter in which he started out to strike a strong blow, but before its close it dwindled into nothing."

## A Terrible Mistake.

The Paris *Gaulois* publishes from Warsaw, in Poland, a very distressing case of miscarriage of justice which occurred there. A quartermaster of a dragoon regiment, quartered at Silec, was found dead in the street with his skull cleft by a sword. Three young recruits of that regiment were arrested near the spot, and as the quartermaster, who had the reputation of being a martinet, had often reported them for punishment drill, they were suspected of the murder, and sentenced to death.

The parents of the lads tried to secure a reprieve, with a view of reopening the case, and offered heavy bail. The father of one of them, Mr. Ripon, a millionaire of Moscow, undertook to deposit a hundred thousand rubles for that purpose, but all their entreaties were unavailing, and the three recruits were executed by the order of the Governor General, without even the delay necessary to receive an answer to a petition for a reprieve.

Two days after the execution the wife of A. Farrier, of Silec, informed the military authorities that the real murderer was her husband, who had discovered that she had criminal relations with the quartermaster. This miscarriage of justice has created a great sensation throughout the country.

TRIPLETS AT THIRTEEN.—At Cincinnati on Saturday Malvina Sanders swore out a warrant for the arrest of Nicholas Sanders, and also an attachment on his wages. Sanders is coachman for Hon. Lewis Werner, a member of the Police Board. The suit developed the fact that the girl is but 13 years of age, yet is the mother of triplets nearly one month old. They are fat, good-looking and healthy. The mother is a pretty child whom Sanders married last month to avoid a suit for bastardy, but who now refuses to support his family. Two of the triplets are girls.



## ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES.

Proceedings of Congress.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 22  
SENATE.

After some discussion a resolution introduced by Mr. Blackburn for allowing Clara Morris, who has been turned out of the House aide, to occupy a niche in the basement of the Senate for the sale of papers, maps and similar articles, was referred to the committee on rules.

The joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States in relation to the manufacture, importation, exportation, transportation and sale of alcoholic liquors, having been reached on the calendar,

Mr. Blair called for a vote upon it.

Mr. Cockrell asked that the report be read.

While the report was being read,

Mr. Stewart suggested that the reading would occupy too much time; but

Mr. Blair thought the Senate might well devote a short time to a subject that was not to be trifled with.

The reading of the report having occupied what was left of the hour assigned to the calendar, no vote was taken.

The Senate then resumed consideration of the bill to define and regulate the jurisdiction of the Courts of the United States.

## HOUSE.

Representative O'Ferrall, of Virginia, and Delegate Smith, of Arizona, were the only democrats in the hall when the House was called to order this morning. At the conclusion of the prayer the clerk (under direction of the Speaker) proceeded to call the roll on the approval of Friday's journal.

Mr. McKinley, of Ohio, moved an adjournment, but there were a number of republican members who were in favor of remaining in session (it being understood that Messrs. Brewster, McCormick, Butterworth and Sweeney will return this afternoon) and who demanded and secured the yeas and nays. The motion was carried—yeas 85; nays 70, and a republican caucus was announced to be held immediately.

One hundred and fifty-nine members responded to their names—still no quorum. The republican absentees were Messrs. Brewster, McCormick, Butterworth, T. M. Brown, of Indiana, Butterworth, Connell, Ewart, Finley, Milliken, Peters, Sweeney and Wilson, of Kentucky.

The vote resulted—yeas 153; nays 0; no quorum, and a call of the House was ordered.

## Foreign News.

LONDON, Sept. 22.—Later advices from Goa, India, state that 18 persons were killed and fifty wounded in the election riot at that place by Portuguese troops who fired upon a crowd of republicans. The Portuguese residents of Bombay have resolved to appeal to England to annex Goa unless the Portuguese government redresses the grievances of its subjects there.

BERNE, Sept. 22.—The village of Rutli, in the canton of St. Gall, is on fire. Three hundred houses have already been destroyed. The loss of one life is reported. All the people whose houses have been burned are in a destitute condition.

LONDON, Sept. 22.—Slavin and McLaughlin, the principals in the prize fight which was to have taken place under the auspices of the Ormonde Club, were arrested to-day and bound over for their appearance to-morrow.

## A Terrible Disease.

MENTOR, Ind., Sept. 22.—The residents of this place are greatly excited over a mysterious disease which is afflicting the physicians and is about to annihilate the family of George Davidson, a popular citizen here. Last Tuesday the 7-year-old daughter was taken ill, and in eight hours died. An hour later a 9-year-old son was attacked, and died in 8 hours. Next day his only remaining children, three in number were attacked, one after another, and died.

## A Duel in the Street.

MADISON, Ind., Sept. 22.—At Carrolltown on Saturday Billy Williams, an ex-sheriff of Owen county, was shot and dangerously wounded in a duel with George Dean. Williams charges Dean with seducing his daughter, and the two men met in the street, both drawing revolvers simultaneously. Nine shots were exchanged. Williams says if he gets well he will surely kill Dean.

## Oil Works Destroyed.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 22.—The Excelsior Oil Works were destroyed by fire this morning. The fire was caused by sparks from a passing locomotive. The tanks, half a dozen in number, burned without exploding. In the yards on the railroad switch were several tank cars, some of them filled. The fire communicated to them and one of them exploded, badly burning four men. The loss will be \$50,000.

## Suicide.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 22.—John B. Clements, a member of the printing firm of Plumley & Clements, of this city, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself through the head; previous to which he penned the following: "I am fond of a joke, but this is the last one I will try to crack." Dull business is thought to have been the cause of the act.

## TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Ex-Congressman Frank La Morey, of Louisiana, died in Washington this morning of malaria.

Mrs. May Alena Whitten, of West Port, Me., aged 16, shot herself dead last night. She had been married 3 months.

The widow of the late Gen. J. C. Fremont is quite ill at her home in Los Angeles, Cal. The family, it is said, are on the verge of actual destitution.

Yesterday morning Jas. and John Gladson, father and son, were killed by a wild engine on the East Tennessee R. R., near

Saltewab, Tenn. They were riding in a wagon drawn by a blind horse. The animal has just cleared the track when the wagon was struck.

The boiler of an engine attached to a freight train on the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia R. R. exploded last night at Sherman Heights, 5 miles from Chattanooga. All that can be found of the engineer and fireman is a coat. A brakeman was seriously injured. The engine was blown to atoms.

On the way to Joliet penitentiary yesterday, Mrs. Ann Eliza Holden made a confession to Dr. J. D. Knott that it was herself and son, Edwin Bolden, that killed Harley Russell; that she dressed in Albert Dunham's clothes and wore his shoes; that she held the horse while Edwin Holden shot Russell. She says Calvin Holden knew nothing about the killing until after it was done.

At Marshalltown, Iowa, yesterday the Chicago, St. Paul and Kansas City R. R. tried to lay a track through the streets in order to secure better track facilities, knowing that an injunction could not be secured on Sunday, but the Mayor, with a large posse, stopped the work after much excitement and a threatened war.

The funeral of the late Dion Boucicault, the actor, dramatist and playwright, took place at New York this morning in the Church of the Transfiguration, "Little church around the corner." Almost all the actors and actresses in the city were in attendance.

Rev. Henry Scheib, pastor of Zion Independent German Lutheran Church of Baltimore, celebrating the 50th anniversary of his pastorate. He is 82 years of age; was born near Bingen on the Rhine, and was educated at the University of Bonn.

Joseph George, a Portuguese in the employ of the Pacific steam whaling company, was murdered at Point Barrow June 1st by an Esquimaux who had grown jealous because George had won the woman of the Esquimaux affections. He was within 12 hours after the murder.

A Chicago paper says that Prof. J. M. Hirsh has exhibited to one of its reporters the process by which he is enabled to extract aluminum from clay at a cost of only a few cents per pound.

The temperance people of Green town, Ind., have by the use of dynamite and other persuasives, driven the last saloon from their midst.

In a saloon at Astoria, N. Y., early this morning Julius Schlett was shot and killed by Louis Michaels during a political quarrel.

Washington Park in Chicago will be included in the site for the World's Fair.

The Oakland Bank of Chicago has suspended; liabilities \$60,000.

The Birchen murder trial began at Woodstock, Ont., to-day.

## The German Army Review.

A grand parade of the German troops engaged in the army maneuvers was held Saturday morning near Eichhof, in the presence of Emperors William and Francis Joseph, the King of Saxony, Chancellor von Capri and Count Kaloky. At the conclusion of the parade Emperor William gathered the officers in a group and addressed them, commending their efforts in the field. His Majesty thanked the Emperor and the King of Saxony for attending the maneuvers, and said he hoped that what they had seen had convinced them that the army remained as efficient under his leadership as it was under that of Emperor Wilhelm I, thus furnishing a guarantee of the continued solidity and strength of the brotherhood of arms.

RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.—A freight train on the Omaha and St. Louis Railroad went through a burning trestle yesterday near Council Bluffs, Iowa, and fell fifty feet. Twelve cars were destroyed, and the engineer, fireman and brakeman were killed. Four excursionists returning to Chicago from a day's outing on the Illinois Central Railroad were killed at Chicago last night by a collision with a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad freight train.

## A CARD.

Mr. S. R. Donohoe, editor and proprietor of the *Fairfax Herald*, in an editorial in his paper of September 19, 1890, gives his reasons for supporting the republican candidate and for opposing the democratic nominee for Congress.

Had the gentleman given the true reasons for his support and his opposition there would be no occasion for noting the misrepresentations of the editorial, and I should not have replied thereto in the interest of democratic nominee and party.

During the contest for the democratic nomination he opposed within the party, the nomination of the present nominee, and he published his reason, the same reasons now given for supporting the republican candidate, time and time again, in his paper. The democrats of the 8th district, knowing there was nothing in this gentleman's illegal reasons, and believing he had not given the true reasons for opposing Gen. Lee's nomination saw fit to confer the nomination upon him.

A true democrat would have been satisfied, accepted defeat within the party, and acquiesced in its action, and no man would have had the right to question his conduct. This gentleman does not accept the situation gracefully, but prefers to support the republican candidate, and seeks to seduce democrats from their party allegiances. He may have personal reasons for his opposition to the democratic nominee and for his support of the republican candidate. Let the democrats of the 8th district know them. He charges Gen. Lee with a lack of "loyalty and devotion to his party." A sermon from this text might be preached to this editor, but he would not profit by it. What is his conduct now? Loyalty and devotion for his party in trying, for personal reasons, to defeat a nominee and to elect a republican in his stead? There is a wise saying, "People who live in glass houses should never throw stones." He, a democrat, who has been truthfully charged with a lack of loyalty and devotion to his party, and he furnishes the proof in his writing and conduct on this occasion.

Now, for his evidence that Gen. Lee lacked loyalty and devotion to his party. It is: Gen. Lee did not withdraw from the Alexandria convention "in the interest of the Alexandria convention." Questions were asked of him from the front and from the rear, from the right hand and from the left hand, but without faltering he met them all and held his ground, and proved himself the equal of the veteran debaters. He was followed by men of his own kind in carrying this measure through by his tact and management. Questions were asked of him from the front and from the rear, from the right hand and from the left hand, but without faltering he met them all and held his ground, and proved himself the equal of the veteran debaters. He was followed by men of his own kind in carrying this measure through by his tact and management.

The care personal matters, between man and man, and I should never have referred to them in this way, if this gentleman's opposition to Gen. Lee before and after his nomination had been decent and legitimate criticism of a public man. In conclusion, I have a few words to say about the democratic nominee. His record will temper favorably with any demerit in the House, while his narrative and cup-bill, he has done much for this district as any man could have done. This gentleman may not have an excited opinion of his abilities, but if he who saw him on the floor of the House during the discussion of the relief bill for the Seminary are called upon to speak for him, tell him he held his own against all opposition and succeeded in carrying this measure through by his tact and management. Questions were asked of him from the front and from the rear, from the right hand and from the left hand, but without faltering he met them all and held his ground, and proved himself the equal of the veteran debaters. He was followed by men of his own kind in carrying this measure through by his tact and management.

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To my knowledge and to others' knowledge, he was indignant at the proposition to withdraw Gen. Lee, and he, in the Lee conference, and to the writer, advised against it. The gentleman, it seems, has changed his opinion on the subject. We are all liable to change our opinions but can give reasons for doing so. Let the gentleman tell the democrats of the 8th district his reasons for changing his opinion on this subject. If he does not, his inconsistency shall dispose of this charge against the democratic nominee. In condemning Gen. Lee's course in the Alexandria convention he necessarily condemns himself.

The gentleman speaks of the "fraud in Stafford." I suppose he refers to the election of delegates from that county to the Leesburg convention. I will not accept his word as the only evidence of fraud, and I know the democrats of the 8th district will not take it as proof of the fact. If the gentleman knows the facts of the case let him publish them; and if he publishes them correctly I will say a word in reply and let the people form their own conclusions upon them. I will say this much about the Stafford case: I know the facts. I took the trouble to check them, and not from second hands, before the Leesburg convention met. I would give them now if I believed this gentleman was acquainted with them, but I am sure if he was called on to tell them he would have to say he never investigated them for himself and what he does know is hearsay. He makes the serious charge without any possible evidence to support it. I know there was no fraud. He relies upon the Stafford delegation to the Leesburg convention—for if there was any fraud they were a party to it. Does he know them? Those of them I know are gentlemen of as high character as any in Virginia. He also relies upon the committee on credentials of the Leesburg convention. The gentleman may not know it, but the Stafford case was fully investigated by that committee. I know Gen. Lee was not the first choice of some of the committee, but all of the committee were satisfied there was no fraud and so reported. There is but one other charge I will notice now. It is that Gen. Lee has not been true to his party on the question of the tariff. What evidence does he produce in support of this charge? None. The gentleman knows there was none when he made it. Why does he make it? It is because he hoped by making it to injure Gen. Lee with some democrats of the 8th district? This gentleman is a reckless writer. The republican candidate may have occasion to pray to be saved from his friends—such as this editor. Some of the gentleman's reasons assigned for supporting the republican candidate, or such as refer to the democratic nominee, are private and personal, and need not be noticed, except to be designated as contemptible. When the gentleman talks about "harmony" and "true to party" he takes high ground. Let his own actions now condemn him. They show clearly that he has no right to stand there.

I regret that truth and justice to the democratic nominee compel me to touch upon this gentleman's personal reasons for opposing the democratic nominee, and for supporting the republican candidate. He assailed General Lee, unjustly, within the party, before his nomination, but no notice was taken of him, and the result of such attacks was that they assuaged his nomination. It may have been a personal matter between them before the nomination. But now, General Lee being the nominee of his party and representing it in this fight, it becomes our duty to expose what this gentleman has kept concealed and to resent and rebuke all efforts to defeat the party and elect the republican candidate.

When Gen. Lee was a candidate the first time this editor voluntarily tendered him his support and it was accepted with thanks. He also supported him the second time. But I do not believe the gentleman expected to be compensated for his support.

I was supposed before the last election that the democrats would elect a majority of the present House. Many persons supposed that in that case Gen. Lee would be made chairman of some committee, and therefore have the appointment of a clerk. This gentleman was of this opinion, and he desired to be chairman of the committee. Gen. Lee promised him he should be, if he was made chairman. The editor of the *Leesburg Washingtonian* wrote to Gen. Lee in behalf of a Loudoun man for the clerkship. Gen. Lee replied that he wished it for a Fairfax man, and had promised the position to that gentleman. As the democratic did not control the present House, Gen. Lee did not get a chairmanship and this gentleman was disappointed in the matter of an appointment to office; he has a reason for not electing their nominee and he is sufficient excuse for one, claiming to be a democrat, a state officer, Treasurer of his county by democratic appointment, for opposing the democratic nominee?

Was this editor personally acquainted with Mr. Frank Hume, the present republican candidate before he was appointed Treasurer and before Mr. Hume agreed to become one of his secretaries and official bondsmen? He applied to General Lee to be one of his secretaries, but he declined, although he consented, if it could be arranged, to assume responsibility to the extent of \$5,000 in procuring the requisite security. Can this be a sufficient reason for opposing the democratic nominee? This gentleman, not knowing Mr. Hume, who was not a resident of Fairfax county, how did it happen he became one of his secretaries and official bondsmen? He applied to General Lee to be one of his secretaries, but he declined, although he consented, if it could be arranged, to assume responsibility to the extent of \$5,000 in procuring the requisite security. Can this be a sufficient reason for opposing the democratic nominee?

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Was it not after Gen. Lee declined to go on his bond that he opposed his nomination, and was it not after Mr. Hume had done so that he supported him for the nomination? He is the idea ever entered this gentleman's head that other persons would have the influence or audacity, call it what you please, to take from all these facts a reason for his conduct now?

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## DIED.

On Monday, September 22, 1890, SARAH C. loved wife of George Duffley, in the 61st year of her age, died. Funeral from the late residence of the deceased on Wednesday, at 3 o'clock p. m. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.